

Major General Michael D. Jones

Commanding General, Coalition Police Assistance Training Team - Iraq



Major General Michael D. Jones, a native of Baltimore, Maryland, was commissioned in 1977 following graduation from Carson-Newman College in Jefferson City Tennessee. Following his commissioning, he was assigned to a variety of Armor officer positions in the United States and Germany, including tank platoon leader, company commander, battalion operations officer, battalion executive officer, battalion commander, and brigade commander in units including the 1st Armored Division, 2nd Armored Division, 3rd Armored Division, and the 16th Cavalry Regiment. His key staff assignments include tours as a battalion S-1, G-3 Training for the 4th Infantry Division (Mechanized), tactics instructor at the U.S. Army Armor School, and G-3 of the 1st Armored Division and Multi-National Division North in Bosnia during OPERATION JOINT ENDEAVOR (IFOR). He also served as the 1st Armored Division Chief of Staff in Germany, and on the Joint Staff in Washington D.C. as Chief, Long Range Policy Planning cell, J-5, and then as executive officer to the Director, J-5, and then executive officer to the Director of the Joint Staff. Major General Jones also served as the Director, Chief of Staff of the Army's Staff Group on the Army Staff. As a general officer, Major General Jones served as Assistant Division Commander for Maneuver, 1st Cavalry Division at Fort Hood, Texas, and in Baghdad Iraq during OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM where he was responsible for Division operations and working with Iraqi Security Forces. His previous assignment was as the Deputy Director, Strategic Plans and Policy on the Joint Staff, Washington D.C., where he was responsible for the Middle East region, including Iraq. Major General Jones is a graduate of a number of military schools including the Command and General Staff College and the U.S. Army War College, and has a Masters of Science degree in Systems Management from the University of Southern California.